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Appointment of members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly provide as follows:

"Rule 155

"The General Assembly shall appoint an Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions consisting of sixteen members, including at least three financial experts of recognized standing.

"Rule 156

"The members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected on the basis of broad geographical representation, personal qualifications and experience and shall serve for a period of three years corresponding to three calendar years. Members shall retire by rotation and shall be eligible for reappointment. The three financial experts shall not retire simultaneously. The General Assembly shall appoint the members of the Advisory Committee at the regular session immediately preceding the expiration of the term of office of the members or, in case of vacancies, at the next session."

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2. The present membership of the Committee is the following:

Mr. Ahmad Fathi Al-Masri (Syrian Arab Republic)***

Mr. Leonid E. Bidny (Russian Federation)**

Mr. Carlos Casap (Bolivia)*

Mr. Kwaku Dua Dankwa (Ghana)***

Mr. Even Fontaine-Ortiz (Cuba)**

Mr. Yogesh Kumar Gupta (India)*

Mr. Tadanori Inomata (Japan)*

Mr. Richard Kinchen (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)**

Mr. M'hand Ladjouzi (Algeria)**

Mr. Zoran Lazarevic (Yugoslavia)***

Mr. E. Besley Maycock (Barbados)***

Mr. C. S. M. Mselle (United Republic of Tanzania)***

Mr. Wolfgang Muench (Germany)*

Ms. Irmeli Mustonen (Finland)*

Ms. Linda S. Shenwich (United States of America)**

Mr. Yang Hushan (China)*

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* Term of office expires on 31 December 1992.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 1993.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 1994.

3. Since the terms of office of Mr. Casap, Mr. Gupta, Mr. Inomata, Mr. Muench, Ms. Mustonen and Mr. Yang will expire on 31 December 1992, it will be necessary for the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session to appoint six persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 1993.

4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the forty-seventh session.

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Appointment of members of the Committee on Contributions

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly provide as follows:

"Rule 158

"The General Assembly shall appoint an expert Committee on Contributions consisting of eighteen members.

"Rule 159

"The members of the Committee on Contributions, no two of whom shall be nationals of the same State, shall be selected on the basis of broad geographical representation, personal qualifications and experience and shall serve for a period of three years corresponding to three calendar years. Members shall retire by rotation and shall be eligible for reappointment. The General Assembly shall appoint the members of the Committee on Contributions at the regular session immediately preceding the expiration of the term of office of the members or, in case of vacancies, at the next session."

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2. The present membership of the Committee is the following:

Mr. Kenshiroh Akimoto (Japan)***

Mr. Amjad Ali (Pakistan)**

Mr. Henrik Amneus (Sweden)**

Mr. Bagbeni Adeito Nzengeya (Zaire)*

Mr. Sergio Chapparo Ruíz (Chile)*

Mr. Yuri A. Chulkov (Russian Federation)**

Mr. Jorge Duhalt (Mexico)**

Mr. David Etuket (Uganda)***

Mr. John D. Fox (United States of America)***

Mr. Ion Gorita (Romania)***

Mr. Peter Gregg (Australia)*

Mr. Imre Karbuczky (Hungary)***

Mr. Vanu Gopala Menon (Singapore)***

Mr. Atilio Norberto Molteni (Argentina)*

Mr. Mohamed Mahmoud Ould El Ghaouth (Mauritania)*

Mr. Dimitri Rallis (Greece)*

Mr. Ugo Sessi (Italy)**

Mr. Wang Liansheng (China)**

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* Term of office expires on 31 December 1992.

** Term of office expires on 31 December 1993.

*** Term of office expires on 31 December 1994.

3. Since the terms of office of Mr. Bagbeni, Mr. Chapparo Ruíz, Mr. Gregg, Mr. Molteni, Mr. Ould El Ghaouth and Mr. Rallis will expire on 31 December 1992, it will be necessary for the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session to appoint six persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The persons so appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 January 1993.

4. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the names of the persons recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the forty-seventh session.

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APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN SUBSIDIARY ORGANS AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Appointment of a member of the Board of Auditors

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Paragraph (c) of resolution 74 (I), adopted by the General Assembly on 7 December 1946, provides:

> "That in 1947, and every year thereafter, the General Assembly at its regular session shall appoint an Auditor to take office from 1 July of the following year and to serve for a period of three years."

2. The present membership of the Board of Auditors is the following:

Auditor-General of Ghana**

Chairman of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines*

Comptroller and Auditor General of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland***

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* Term of office expires on 30 June 1993.

** Term of office expires on 30 June 1994.

*** Term of office expires on 30 June 1995.

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3. Since the term of office of the Chairman of the Commission on Audit of the Philippines will expire on 30 June 1993, it will be necessary for the General Assembly at its forty-seventh session to fill the resulting vacancy by the appointment, as a member of the Board, of the Auditor-General (or officer holding the equivalent title) of a Member State. The Auditor thus appointed will serve for a period of three years, beginning on 1 July 1993.

4. The three members of the Board have joint responsibility for the external audit of the United Nations (including the International Court of Justice, the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, the United Nations offices at Geneva and Vienna, the regional commissions, the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, the World Food Council, United Nations peace-keeping activities and special missions), the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research, the voluntary funds administered by the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the Fund of the United Nations Environment Programme, the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation, the International Trade Centre, the United Nations University and the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund.

5. At the present time, audit assignments are shared among the audit staff provided from the audit services of the members of the Board on an equal basis. In order to fulfil these shared responsibilities, each member provides approximately 20 Professional officers for approximately four months each year, in addition to the full-time Director.

6. To enable the Board to carry out its mandate through the integration of audit planning, execution and reporting, and to enhance the development of common audit standards and professional practices, an Audit Operations Committee was established comprising three full-time Directors of External Audit, located at Headquarters, representing each member of the Board. The members of the Board are expected to be available for approximately two weeks each year, in June and November, for meetings of the Board and the Panel of External Auditors of the United Nations, the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency. In addition, each member has to be available for whatever consultations are necessary throughout the year with the members of the Administration, the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions and other governing bodies.

7. At previous sessions, the Fifth Committee submitted to the General Assembly a draft decision containing the name of a Member State whose Auditor-General (or officer holding the equivalent title) was recommended for appointment. It is suggested that a similar procedure be followed at the forty-seventh session.